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Development of Solar City Programme
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the salient features and objectives of development of Solar Cities Programme;
(b) the funds sanctioned, released and spent under the said programme; and
(c) the extent to which the said programme has helped in reducing consumption of energy produced from fossil fuels?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a): Development of Solar Cities programme aims at minimum 10% reduction in projected demand of conventional energy in five years, through a combination of enhancing supply from renewable energy sources and energy efficiency measures in the solar city. Central Financial Assistance upto Rs.50 lakh is provided for preparation of master plans, solar city cells, oversight of its implementation and promotional activities. Financial support upto Rs.9.50 crore is available to 8 Model Solar Cities and upto Rs.2.50 crore to 15 Pilot Solar Cities for setting up of renewable energy projects/systems/ devices.

(b): A total amount of Rs.101.66 crore has been sanctioned and an amount of Rs.25.19 crore has been released, so far, under Solar City Programme.

(c): A solar city aims to reduce fossil fuel based energy consumption by 10% in the city.
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